

**REMARKS**

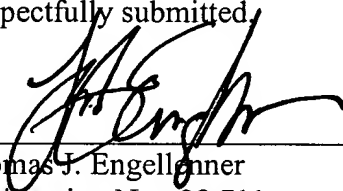
This preliminary amendment is submitted to present a new set of claims for consideration. No new matter has been presented. Support for the new claims can be found, inter alias, at page 2, line 1 through page 4, line 17, pages 5-8 and 15-17, as well as in the original claims. The specification has also been amended to provide references to related applications. Attached hereto is a clean copy of amended page 1 of the specification and a marked-up version showing the changes made by this amendment.

The newly presented claims in this application are believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. In the event that the claims are not deemed allowable, applicant's representative requests an opportunity to interview with the Examiner. The Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below to discuss any issues that arise during examination.

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## FIELD OF THE INVENTION

## BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The B party's number can also be determined by consulting a public directory which may be in print or electronic form. A call with the B party can then be established by dialing the number obtained.

As information concerning the B party's number is known by a telecommunications carrier a method and system is desired to enable that information to be used automatically, on request, to establish a call between the A party and the B party without the caller having to dial the number.